murders particularly in South Delhi', and the 'Cops have a good night's sleep as murders rock the capital';

(b) if so, what are the facts and details thereof;

(c) the number of murders and the crimes against women which took place in Delhi in 1994 and so far in 1995 (month-wise and area-wise);

(d) what steps Government have so far taken to check the crimes in Delhi; and

(e) what action Government have so far taken against the police officials found responsible for dereliction of duties?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S.B. CHAVAN): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir Details of the cases reported in the news items published in the Hindustan Times of 18th November 1995 and the Indian Express dated 18th and 19th November 1995 are given in the Annexure. [*See* Appendix 175, Annexure No. 19].

(c) The number of murders and the crime against women which took place in Delhi during 1994 and 1995 (upto 31.10.95) month-wise and area-wise (district-wise) is given in the annexure. [*See* Appendix 175, Annexure No. 20].

(d) In course of their primary duty of crime prevention and detection efforts are made by Delhi Police to instil a sense of security among the citizens of the Capital. Measures taken for the safety and protection of the people include renewed emphasis on beat patrolling, servant verification, posting of pickets at strategic points, strengthening of intelligence machinery, frequent raids at the hideouts of criminals, comprehensive surveillance on history sheeters, coordination meetings with the officials of the neighbouring states, training of police officers in handling modern weapons, introduction of scientific methods of investigation, modernisation of communications netwrok, etc.

(e) After an enquiry conducted over the news item published in Indian Express dated 19-11-95, 13 police officials were found responsible for dereliction of duties. Of these 13 police officials, five have been censured, three have been awarded Punishment Drill, one has been issued show cause notice for censure, two have been suspended and departmental enquiry initiated against them and the remaining two have been transferred to District Lines and issued show cause notice for censure.

Indop-Egyptian agreement for combating terrorism

*153. SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE: SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether during the recent visit of Prime Minister to cairo agreements including one for combating terrorism, were signed; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S.B. CHAVAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) During PM's visit to the Arab Republic of Egypt, an agreement of cooperation to combat all forms of criminal acts particularly those relating to terrorists, transnational and organised crime was signed. This agreement is aimed to achieve better co-ordination/ cooperation between the two countries so as to effectively deal with the menace of terrorism and organised crime.

Reserve price for basic telephone services tender

*154. SHRI SATISH AGARWAL: will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whehter it is a fact that no reserve price was indicated in the basic and cellular services tender;

(b) if so, what is the rationale and